

Natural Resources Conservation Service
Application Ranking Summary
Southwest Area AFO

Program: EQIP 2002	Ranking Date:
Ranking Tool: SW Area AFO	
Final Ranking Score:	
Planner:	
Farm Location:	

National Priorities Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in considerable reductions of non-point source pollution, such as nutrients, sediment, pesticides, excess salinity in impaired watersheds, groundwater contamination or point source contamination from confined animal feeding operations?	60 Point(s)
2. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable amount of ground or surface water conservation?	60 Point(s)
3. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable reduction of emissions, such as particulate matter, nitrogen oxides (NOx), volatile organic compounds, and ozone precursors and depleters that contribute to air quality impairment violations of National Ambient Air Quality Standards?	60 Point(s)
4. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable reduction in soil erosion and sedimentation from unacceptable levels on agricultural land?	20 Point(s)
5. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable increase in the promotion of at-risk species habitat conservation?	50 Point(s)

State Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. AFO #1 - An approved CNMP is already in place?	25 Point(s)
2. AFO #2 - The contract will include practices that will significantly reduce the threat of ground water pollution?	50 Point(s)
3. AFO #3 - The contract will include practices that will significantly reduce the threat of surface water pollution?	50 Point(s)
4. AFO #4 - The contract will include practices that will reduce nitrate levels to 10 ppm or less?	50 Point(s)
5. AFO #5 - The collection and transport system is inadequate, but will be significantly improved?	25 Point(s)
6. AFO #6 - The storage and treatment facilities are inadequate, but will be significantly improved?	25 Point(s)
7. AFO #7 - Manure utilization is inadequate, but will be significantly improved?	25 Point(s)

Local Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. AFO1--Has this applicant had a previous contract terminated due to non-compliance? (If yes the application will be considered LOW priority)	-50 Point(s)
2. AFO2--Is there a current CNMP in place, one that addresses the proposed treatments of this EQIP application? (If answer is YES, then application is HIGH priority.)	50 Point(s)
3. AFO3--Does the applicant have a CNMP planner, private consultant, or the means to provide NRCS with a current CNMP before contract approval?	50 Point(s)
4. AFO4--Has the applicant provided NRCS with the required/necessary documents (NMED/EPA permits, soil and water monitoring test results – CNMP – those necessary to initiate a plan), UPON ranking of this application?	50 Point(s)

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5. AFO5--Is this application a result of Dairy expansion (increased herd size, increase in area of the confinement lot and/or increased water use)? (If answer is YES, then application is LOW priority.)	0 Point(s)
6. AFO6--Will the treatment include the installation of monitoring well (s)?	50 Point(s)
7. AFO7--Will the treatment include the installation of water metering device (s)?	25 Point(s)
8. AFO8--Does the operation apply pond effluent to cropland?	25 Point(s)
9. AFO9--Will the treatment include a decommissioning of an existing un-lined effluent lagoon, and installation of a new lined lagoon?	50 Point(s)
10. AFO10--Will the treatment address on-site hydrologic functions (those affecting the surface run-off patterns of the Dairy Lot)?	25 Point(s)
11. AFO11--Will the treatment address off-site hydrologic functions (those affecting the surface run-on patterns of the Dairy Lot)?	25 Point(s)
12. AFO12--Will the treatment include the installation of lined surface run-off pond(s)?	50 Point(s)